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SALONIUS ET AL.

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FOR: VACCINE AGAINST SALMONID RICKETTSIAL SEPTICAEMIA BASED ON
ARTHROBACTER CELLS**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

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The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

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